

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE

June 5, 2007

Scleroderma is a chronic, often progressive, autoimmune disease through which the body's immune system attacks its own body. There are an estimated 300,000 patients living in the United States alone. More than 80% of scleroderma patients are women, but the disease also strikes men and children across all ages and ethnic boundaries.

For the past two years, this Board has declared June as Scleroderma Awareness Month. With this action, we have recognized the tireless efforts of the Southern California Scleroderma Foundation in its endeavor to stimulate and support research to improve treatment and ultimately find a cure for this life-threatening disease; help afflicted patients and their families cope; and promote public awareness and education.

The Southern California Scleroderma Foundation will be hosting its 5th Annual Walkathon fundraiser at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday, June 10, 2007. This is the first time the County has been asked to co-host the event at La Mirada County Park. The proceeds of this event will fund Scleroderma education and research.

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I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors:

1. Declare June as Scleroderma Awareness Month; and
2. Waive fees in the amount of \$2,146, excluding the cost of liability insurance, to support the 5th Annual Scleroderma Walkathon at La Mirada County Park on Sunday, June 10, 2007.

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